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Applicant's or agent's file reference 5020001	International application No. PCT/JP03/01954

The applicant is hereby notified that the International Bureau has received the record copy of the international application as detailed below.

Name(s) of the applicant(s) and State(s) for which they are applicants:

JAPAN SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION et al (for all designated States except US)

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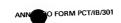
The applicant should carefully check the data appearing in this Notification. In case of any discrepancy between these data and the indications in the international application, the applicant should immediately inform the International Bureau.

In addition, the applicant's attention is drawn to the information contained in the Annex, relating to:

- time limits for entry into the national phase see updated important information (as of April 2002)
- confirmation of precautionary designations (if applicable) X
- requirements regarding priority documents (if applicable)

A copy of this Notification is being sent to the receiving Office and to the International Searching Authority.

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# INFORMATION ON TIME LIMITS FOR ENTERING THE NATIONAL PHASE

The applicant is reminded that the "national phase" must be entered before each of the designated Offices indicated on the cover sheet of this Notification by paying national fees and furnishing translations, as prescribed by Articles 22 and 39 and the applicable national laws. In addition, the applicant may also have to comply with other special requirements applicable in certain Offices. It is the applicant's responsibility to ensure the necessary steps to enter the national phase are taken in a interly fashion. Most Offices do not issue reminders to applicants in connection with the entry into the national phase.

The applicable time limit for entering the national phase will, subject to what is said in the following paragraph, be 30 MONTHS from the priority date, not only in respect of any elected Office where a demand for international preliminary examination is filed before the expiration of 19 months from the priority date (see Article 391), but also in respect of any designated Office, in the absence of filing of such demand, where Article22(1) as modified with effect from 1 April 2002 applies in respect of that designated Office. For further details, see PCT Gastet No. 44(2001 of 1 November 2001, pages 19926, 19932 and 19934, as well as the PCT Newsletter, October and November 2001 and February 2002 issues.

In practice, time limits other than the 30-month time limit will continue to apply, for various periods of time, in respect of certain designated or elected Offices. For regular updates on the applicable time limits (20, 21, 30 or 31 months, or other time limit), Office by Office, refer to the PCT Gazette("Section N" part published on a weekly basis), to the PCT Newsletter (on a monthly basis) and to the relevant National Chapters in Volume II of the PCT Applicant's Guide (the paper version of which is updated usually twice a year and the Internet version of which is updated usually on a weekly basis). Finally, a wunded usually on a weekly basis in the publish of the publish of the pCT Applicant's Guide (the paper version of which is updated usually on a weekly basis). Finally, a cumulative table of all applicable time limits for entering the national phase is available from WiPO's Internet site, via links cumulative table of all applicable time limits for entering the national phase is available from WiPO's Internet site, via links cumulative table of all applicable time limits for entering the national phase is available from WiPO's Internet site, via links cumulative table of all applicable time limits for entering the national phase is available from WiPO's Internet site, via links cumulative table of all applicable time limits for entering the national phase is available from WiPO's Internet site, via links cumulative table of all applicable time limits for entering the national phase is available from WiPO's Internet site, via links cumulative table of all applicable time limits for entering the national phase is available from WiPO's Internet site, via links cumulative table of all applicable time limits for the PCT for a phase table of all applicable time limits and the PCT for a phase table of all applicable time limits and the PCT for a phase table of all applicable time limits and the PCT for a phase table of all applicable time limits and the PCT for a phase table of all applicable time limits and t

Information about the requirements for filing a demand for international preliminary examination is set out in the PCT Applicant's Guide, Volume I/A, Chapter IX. Note that only an applicant who is a national or resident of a PCT Contracting State which is bound by Chapter II has the right to file a demand for international preliminary examination (at present, all PCT Contracting States are bound by Chapter II).

### CONFIRMATION OF PRECAUTIONARY DESIGNATIONS

This notification lists only specific designations made under Rule 4.9(a) in the request. It is important to check that those designations are correct. Errors in designations can be corrected where precautionary designations have been made under Rule 4.9(b). The applicant is hereby reminded that any precautionary designations may be confirmed according to Rule 4.9(c) before the expiration of 15 months from the private (this time limit may not be extended). If it is not confirmed, will before the expiration of 15 months from the private (the reminder and no invitation. Confirmation of automatically be regarded as withdrawn by the applicant. There will be no reminder and no invitation. Confirmation of adesignation consists of the filing of a notice specifying the designated State concerned (with indication of the kind of protection or treatment desired) and the payment of the designation and confirmation fees. The Notice of confirmation and payment must reach the receiving Office within the 15-month time limit.

## REQUIREMENTS REGARDING PRIORITY DOCUMENTS

For applicants who have not yet complied with the requirements regarding priority documents, the following is recalled.

Where the priority of an earlier national, regional or international application is claimed, the applicant must submit a copy of the said earlier application, certified by the authority with which it was filled ("the priority document") to the receiving Office (which will transmit it to the international Bureau) of directly to the International Bureau, before the expiration of 16 months from the priority date, provided that any such priority document may still be submitted to the international Bureau before that date of international publication of the international application, in which case that document will be considered to have been received by the International Bureau on the last day of the 16-month time limit (Rule 17.1(a)).

Where the priority document is issued by the receiving Office, the applicant may, instead of submitting the priority document, request the receiving Office to prepare and transmit the priority document to the International Bureau. Such request must be made before the expiration of the 18-month time limit and may be subjected by the receiving Office to the payment of a fee (Rule 17.1(b)).

If the priority document concerned is not submitted to the International Bureau or if the request to the receiving Office to prepare and transmit the priority document has not been made (and the corresponding fee, if any, paid) within the applicable time limit indicated under the preceding paragraphs, any designated State may disregard the priority telant, ovided that no designated Office may disregard the priority claim, concerned before giving the applicant an opportunity, upon entry into the astional phase, to furnish the priority document within the time limit which is reasonable under the circumstances.

Where several priorities are claimed, the priority date to be considered for the purposes of computing the 16-month time limit is the filing date of the earliest application whose priority is claimed.